Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 5, line 21, with the following rewritten paragraph:

--To achieve the object, the dielectric layer is made by laminating at least two different dielectric materials, and the panel structure is set such that an electric field with an equivalent field strength of at least 37V/cm • KPa is generated in a discharge space, when a discharge sustaining voltage is applied between pairs of display electrodes in order to selectively glow-discharge in discharge spaces in which the electric charge has been accumulated on the dielectric layer.—

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 6, line 4, with the following rewritten paragraph:

--Note that, in this alternating current type surface-discharge PDP, field strength differs from area to area in a discharge space. What is meant here is that at least 37V/cm • KPa must be satisfied in the area of the largest field strength in a discharge space.--

## **IN THE CLAIMS**:

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Please cancel Claims 8, 16, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, and 25 without prejudice.

Please amend the claims as follows:

- 1 1. (Amended) An alternating current type surface-discharge plasma display panel
  2 comprising a facing pair of substrates and a plurality of ribs interposed between the substrates so
  3 as to form a plurality of spaces,
  - the plurality of spaces being provided with a phosphor layer and filled with discharge gas, so as to form a plurality of discharge spaces;